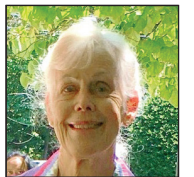


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City Council Sorts Priorities For ARPA Fund Allocations

by Matthew Arbach

On July 18, Greenbelt City Council continued its deliberations on the eventual uses of the \$22.88M of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds in an effort to disburse them in the most equitable and impactful way for the city and its residents. In defense of the city's lengthy and painstaking approach, Councilmember Ric Gordon remarked that many municipalities based

their decisions on only a single meeting and public hearing. Council used the current listing of proposed funding prepared by staff, based on its many worksessions and extensive public input. Council was given a chance to rate them each for its urgency, with three being the most urgent, followed by two and one. The worksession focused on those given a priority of three and

those in the upper twos.

Storm Response

The meeting began with praise from council for the Public Works Department, represented by its new director, Willis Shafer, for their amazing recovery efforts from the recent destructive storm. Mayor Emmett Jordan pointed out that within only 72 hours the city was back to functioning. The See ARPA, page 8



PHOTO BY LIZ MURRAY

Venturing Crew 746, on their canoe trip in the Adirondacks, cracks open their bear canisters for a hearty breakfast. From left, Oscar Gibson, Izzy Murray, Jonathan Hille, Brendan Hille, Lizzy Locke-Graham, Kellen Murray and Gavin Olsen enjoy their meal. See story, page 12.

Council Debates Reparations Committee Interview Process

by Matthew Arbach

Greenbelt is currently accepting applications for the 21-member Reparations Commission, with a deadline of Sunday, July 31. On July 20, the Greenbelt City Council met to work out an interview process. While a clear and final approach was not reached, the solid beginnings of a plan were achieved by meeting's end. Two of the main debates centered on individual versus group interviews and standard versus more relaxed questions. As the number of applicants and eventual members will likely exceed those for the city's other advisory boards, council was focused on the most appropriate and efficient way to evaluate them all in a timely fashion to allow the commission to begin its work as soon as possible.

The last council motion set out the committee composition as: four members each from Greenbelt East, West and Center and nine members from the business and faith-based sectors of the city.

During most of the meeting, Mayor Emmett Jordan and Councilmember Rodney Roberts favored the traditional approach of individual interviews, lasting roughly 15 to 20 minutes, with more natural, open-ended questions as the most effective and thorough method.

Councilmembers Kristen Weaver, Judith Davis, Colin Byrd and Ric Gordon gravitated more toward a small-group approach, maybe three applicants at a time in blocks of roughly 20 to 30 minutes. This would allow more

interviews to be accomplished more efficiently and allow council to see how the applicants conduct themselves in a social

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What Goes On

Monday, August 1, 7:30 p.m.
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Wednesday, August 3, 7:30 p.m.
City Council Worksession:
Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (stakeholder), Municipal Building

See the city ad on page 5 or greenbeltmd.gov for more information.

First Animation, Filmmaking Summer Camp Classes a "Hit"

by Frank Gervasi



PHOTO BY PHOEBE MCFARB

Ali Everitt leads campers in an animation building activity.

We all appreciate animation, from Mickey Mouse to the dinosaurs of Jurassic Park to the motion graphics used to dramatize the nightly weather reports.

"Pictures are compelling, and moving pictures even more so," stated Ali Everitt, teacher for the first of two Creative Kids animation class offerings through the Greenbelt Recreation summer camp series.

In two week-long afternoon sessions, young filmmakers and animators produced their own movies with scenes like paper cut-out elephants eating and a

live-action murder mystery where the actors, camera, sound and lighting operators were camp attendees.

All of these scenes were edited by the students on Greenbelt Access Television (GATE) computers for finished video productions to be viewed on the last day of class.

Along with videographic and editing skills, the students, some as young as 6 years old, learn to work together to create the short films. They also learn to work on projects that take many days to

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PHOTO BY AMY HANSEN

Peace campers present a skit called Gerald's Redemption on the final day of camp in Greenbelt Community Church. See story, page 4.

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situation, a crucial issue as the committee process will require a collaborative spirit.

Most of council agreed that the interviews should be done over a combination of Saturdays and weeknights, as opposed to the normal board interviews being done before the start of a council meeting.

A general consensus was that an opening statement, lasting no more than two minutes, be allowed each person, which would encapsulate their reasons for applying and their intentions. It was agreed that this should not be a prepared statement, but should be delivered at the interview for a more revealing presentation.

Byrd and most of council were open to virtual interviews, mindful of Covid and other health concerns.

Equity and thoroughness are major concerns regarding the questions asked of each applicant, to avoid any sense of favoritism and to achieve the best understanding of each. Weaver said that even a standard ques-

tion can reveal much individual information, such as background, personal experience and skills. Byrd wanted the option to ask questions tailored to the applicant and not bound to specific queries on such a serious and sensitive subject as the committee will be deliberating. Jordan asked council to draft some potential questions to be evaluated at a later meeting.

The prospect of extending the application deadline was broached but sidelined for the moment as council preferred to see how many applications are received. So far, 11 have been submitted. Council wanted at least 25 to choose from to get the best pool of candidates. Jordan suggested a plan in which applications received by July 31 will begin the interview process, with the application deadline extended, perhaps to the end of August, and the process halted once 21 members are chosen. Council concurred.

An area of nearly total agreement was to have public viewing be virtual in order to create a comfortable environment for the

applicants to share themselves. Council was clear on making these interviews transparent and open to the public.

At the meeting's close, Davis laid out a possible interview process, based on the evening's feedback: groups of three, a brief opening statement by each applicant, three standard questions, some clarifying questions from council and any questions from the applicant for council.

In order to get the interview process going, Jordan suggested a general agreement on procedure by council without a vote by July 31, with a start on interviews at that time. Council would make the public aware at a later meeting of their deliberations on the interview procedure.



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(2021) (96 MINS)
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SAT. 5:30 PM, 8:15 PM

SCREEN 2
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Are you a circus performer?
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- By Brigid Willson; drawn at the News Review Open House on July 10, 2022

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Deadline for letters is 6 p.m. Monday. Submission does not guarantee publication. Letters should be no longer than 300 words (shorter letters are more likely to be published).

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All letters must include the letter writer's name, physical address, and telephone number. Only the name will be published; the News Review will consider requests for the name to be withheld.



Letter to the Editor

Perfect Green Solution

What we need here in Greenbelt is windmills. Not those large ones you see on top of mountains, but ones on a more human scale that you could put in the back yard or atop office buildings. Cars also generate a lot of wind, particularly when going fast, so why not wind turbines

atop our automobiles? That way you would not need charging stations.

The city council should give serious consideration to this solution when next in session. I am more than happy to provide the engineering details.

Trudy Croyeur

On Screen at Old Greenbelt Theatre

Where the Crawdads Sing

From the best-selling novel comes a captivating mystery that tells the story of Kya, an abandoned girl who raised herself to adulthood in the dangerous marshlands of North Carolina. For years, rumors of the "Marsh Girl" haunted Barkley Cove, isolating the sharp and resilient Kya from her community. Drawn to two young men from town, Kya opens herself to a new and startling world; but when one of them is found dead, she is immediately cast by the community as the main suspect. As the case unfolds, the verdict as to what actually happened becomes increasingly unclear, threatening to reveal the many secrets that lay within the marsh.

The Duke

In 1961, Kempton Bunton, a 60-year-old taxi driver, stole Goya's portrait of the Duke of Wellington from the National Gallery in London. It was the first (and remains the only) theft in the gallery's history. Bunton sent ransom notes saying that he would return the painting on condition that the government agreed to provide television for free to the elderly. What happened next became the stuff of legend. Only 50 years later did the full story emerge – a startling revelation of how a good man set out to change the world and in so doing saved his son and his marriage. Starring Jim Broadbent and Helen Mirren.

The Music Man

When Harold Hill, a traveling con man, arrives in River City, he convinces the locals to start a band by purchasing the uniforms and instruments from him. His intention is to flee as soon as he receives the money. Librarian Marian Paroo suspects Hill is a fraud but holds her tongue since her moody brother, Winthrop, is excited about the band. As Hill begins to develop feelings for Paroo, he faces a difficult decision about skipping town.

The Angry Birds Movie

Flightless birds lead a mostly happy existence, except for Red (Jason Sudeikis), who just can't get past the daily annoyances of life. His temperament leads him to anger management class, where he meets fellow misfits Chuck (Josh Gad) and Bomb. Red becomes even more agitated when his feathered brethren welcome green pigs to their island paradise. As the swine begin to get under his skin, Red joins forces with Chuck and Bomb to investigate the real reason behind their mysterious arrival.

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Community Events

Passport Hours At the Library

Passport acceptance service hours at the Greenbelt Library are: Mondays and Thursdays, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 1 to 6 p.m.; and Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Applications are accepted by appointment only; schedule a 30-minute appointment by calling 240-455-5451 or visiting [pgmls.info/passport-services](mailto:info/passport-services). All applicants regardless of age must be present at their appointment and families with multiple applicants must schedule separate appointments for each applicant.

Tissue, Cereal Boxes Needed for Art Projects

Greenbelt Recreation Arts is collecting empty tissue boxes, preferably rectangular, and empty cereal boxes, for upcoming after-school art class projects. There is a collection bin in the Community Center lobby, near the main office. For more information, contact agardner@greenbeltmd.gov.

Donate Supplies For Area Schools

Greenbelt Community Church's annual Paper Drive is now underway to help our local schools with donations of supplies or money. Primary needs include: pencils, colored pencils, crayons, rulers, glue bottles, glue sticks, hand soap, hand sanitizer, antiseptic wipes, erasers, two-pocket folders, and tissues. All donated items must be new and unopened.

The past few years have been extremely difficult for teachers. In addition to donating, consider writing a note of thanks or encouragement to let them know how important they are and to help them as they begin a new and challenging year.

Those who would prefer to donate money, make checks payable to Greenbelt Community Church and write Paper Drive in the memo line or on the envelope. Place envelopes in the offering plate or drop them off at the church office. Donations are also accepted through the GIVE button located on the church website – click on Other and leave a note in the comments section that the donation is for the Paper Drive.

Donation items and checks can be brought to the church office Mondays to Thursdays between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Call 301-474-6171 with any questions. The donation drive will run until Sunday, August 7.



Donate Sneakers For People in Need

The Board of Congregational Life at Greenbelt Community Church, United Church of Christ (GCC) is collecting athletic shoes by partnering with GotSneakers. This sneaker recycling program helps to keep sneakers out of landfills, where they have harmful effects on the environment.

A donation box is located outside the Fellowship Center (the small building behind the church) for people to drop off sneakers at any time.

At the Café: Art Reception, Music



PHOTO BY PAUL DOWNS

Sunni, by Paul Downs

A reception will be held Sunday, July 31 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the New Deal Café to celebrate the art of Paul Downs and Bill Moats. Downs's latest art show, Stick Artworks, will be shown through Sunday, August 28. Downs's work highlights the elemental forces of air, water, sun and gravity. In the midst of a world that is sometimes seen as dwindling or threatened, he provides a sense of the bountiful and beautiful.

Moats, a Kentucky native and a resident of Old Greenbelt, shows eclectic paintings that stimulate thoughts and emotional memories and touch viewers on many levels of awareness. Each painting is a strong statement of form and reference to dichotomy. Images from the natural world are contrasted with non-objective, purely abstract forms and passages that imagine an alternative or oppositional environment.

Live music is back six nights a week. On Friday, from 8 to 11 p.m., it's Friends of Pluto with five decades of rock and roll plus a few indie tunes. Saturday, from 8 to 11 p.m., Acme Band Company, a five-piece rock band, covers a wide range of R&B, Motown and the blues. Sunday, from 6 to 8 p.m., Black Shag Sherpas offer versatile, rhythmic, melodic, pushy music.

How to Help Ukraine

The City of Greenbelt has posted on its website a list of charities that support the people of Ukraine as they fight against Russian invaders. The city identifies 13 groups that are doing work in Ukraine including the well-known Doctors Without Borders as well as the lesser-known GoFundMe projects aimed at keeping journalists going. The list can be viewed under News on greenbeltmd.gov. The source of the list is the Washington Post.

City Celebrates Centenarians

The City of Greenbelt would like to celebrate Greenbelt residents who have reached the milestone age of 100 years. To have a loved one or friend recognized, contact Rebekah Sutfin at 240-542-2056 or rsutfin@greenbeltmd.gov. The centenarian can choose from a variety of options to celebrate.

The city will continue to promote senior services and appreciation throughout the year. Recognizing the city's diverse population, Greenbelt seeks to celebrate centenarians' experiences and wisdom, provide activities that meet their needs and encourage seniors to age in place here in Greenbelt.

Crisis Hotline's New Number is 988

The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline dialing code has changed, effective July 16. The new three-digit dialing code is 988 and it's available for phone calls and text messages.

The former Lifeline phone number (1-800-273-8255) will continue to be accessible.

Calls and text messages are confidential and free.

"No matter what problems you're dealing with, whether or not you're thinking about suicide, if you need someone to lean on for emotional support, call the Lifeline," the 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline says on its website at samhsa.gov/find-help/988.

Active-Duty Military

To show appreciation for those who serve in the U.S. Military, and to those who have served, Greenbelt Park reminds military families that the National Park Service offers an annual pass offering free entrance to all national parks for active-duty military members and their dependents. The pass is also for veterans with 20 years of service and veterans with disabilities.

Red Cross Urgently Seeks Blood Donors

It's critically important that the Red Cross maintains a stable blood supply for patients this summer. Greenbelt Recreation is hosting a drive at the lower-level east suite on Friday, August 26 from 12:30 to 6 p.m.

To schedule an appointment to donate, download the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit RedCrossBlood.org or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

Bicyclists: Take Note!

For those minor repairs, or just a shot of air in the tires to get cyclists on their way, the Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI) bicycle repair station stands ready to assist.

The station includes tools for basic maintenance and that all-important tire pump to keep PSI up. The GHI Board and the Bicycle Committee invite riders to check it out at its location adjacent to the GHI maintenance building, 1 Hamilton Place, near the flagpole.

Arts Advisory Board Meets

The Greenbelt Arts Advisory Board will meet on Tuesday, August 2 at 7 p.m. in Room 114 of the Community Center. Discussion topics will include planning for an October art crawl and city wayfinding signage. For more information, write to ndewald@greenbeltmd.gov.

Toastmasters Meet

The Greenbelt Toastmasters Club invites all to join them online every 1st, 3rd and 5th Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. The club provides a fun and friendly environment for anyone interested in improving their public speaking and leadership skills. Learn more at greenbelt.toastmastersclubs.org.

Coffee with a Cop

Greenbelt Police Department will be holding Coffee with a Cop at the Starbucks in Greenway Center from noon to 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, July 30. The occasion is an opportunity for citizens to meet police officers and exchange concerns.

Artful Afternoon: Mudcloth Workshop

Greenbelt Recreation invites guests of all ages to enjoy a free workshop with Community Center Artist-in-Residence Karen Arrington. Come paint with pigments made from local mud, as inspired by the bogolanfini tradition from Mali in West Africa. Materials provided. This Artful Afternoon activity will take place on Sunday, August 7 from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Community Center. While there, guests can also enjoy an exhibition of paintings by artist Sally Davies. Seating is limited, and advance reservations are recommended. Sign up online by following the link at greenbeltmd.gov/arts. City of Greenbelt arts programs are supported in part by the Maryland State Arts Council.

Free Summer Meals For Kids and Teens

The Summer Food Service Program will run until Friday, August 12, while supplies last, according to Prince George's County Public Schools. The program, which runs through the U.S. Department of Agriculture, provides free meals to all children and teens 18 years old and under, according to the Maryland State Department of Education website.

Schrom Hills Park is the Greenbelt location for free meals this summer. Lunch will be available between noon and 12:30 p.m. No identification is necessary to receive a meal, according to Director of Prince George's County Public School Food and Nutrition Services Joan Shorter's secretary Mary Green.

To find other meal sites, use the Maryland Meals Site Search: mars.msde.maryland.gov/mars_sitesearch/.

New ERHS Principal Has Meet and Greet

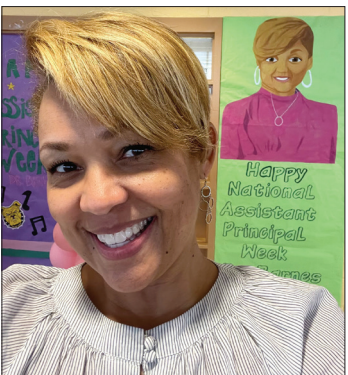


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Dr. Portia Barnes

Eleanor Roosevelt High School is hosting a meet and greet with Dr. Portia Barnes, the new principal, on Thursday, July 28 at 6 p.m. To register, go to erhspta.org and scroll down to the "NEW Principal Meet & Greet" event to RSVP on a Google form.

At the Library

Greenbelt Library hours: Mondays, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Tuesdays and Wednesdays, noon to 8 p.m.; Thursdays and Fridays, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sundays, 1 to 5 p.m. Face masks continue to be required at county libraries for everyone ages 2 and up.

Weekly Events


Register online to attend the following events:

Ready 2 Read Storytimes. Wednesdays, ages 3 to 5, 12:15 p.m.; Thursdays, ages 2 to 3, 11:15 a.m. Come for stories, songs, finger-plays and more.

VolunTEEN Program

Prince George's County teens in grades 6 to 12 can earn student service learning (SSL) hours through participation in the Library's VolunTEEN program. Teens may submit the appropriate information needed for each VolunTEEN prompt in Beanstack via the link on the Teens webpage at pgcmls.info/teens. All of the necessary information must be provided for a teen to earn their SSL hours through the VolunTEEN program, up to a maximum of 12 SSL hours.








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11pm	Community Spotlight	Local Video Productions
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Local Woman Elected to Lead Archdiocese’s Sodality Union

Marti Galvin, a member of St. Hugh of Grenoble Catholic Church, has been elected president of the Sodality Union in the Archdiocese of Washington. She will serve a two-year term beginning in July 2022. She has previously served the Sodality Union as vice prefect and recording secretary as well as in various leadership roles in the St. Hugh Sodality.

As Sodality Union prefect, Galvin will provide leadership for an organization composed of more than 40 individual parish sodalities.



Cardinal Wilton Gregory poses with Marti Galvin.

PHOTO BY JAVIEZ DIAZ/CATHOLIC STANDARD

The group meets monthly from September to June at member parishes throughout the District of Columbia, Southern Maryland and Prince George’s and Montgomery counties. The Sodality Union’s spiritual mission is to live in a way that recognizes the presence of Christ in everyday life. Their apostolic mission channels spirituality into service in the family, the church and the community.

A Bit More Peace Through Meditation

In a world where many often attempt to do more, do it better and do it more quickly, the Mishkan Torah Sisterhood has quietly offered summer guided-meditation classes to Greenbelters and non-Greenbelters for the past seven years. Meditation this year will be offered via Zoom.

The series is again offered this summer, from 3:45 to 4:45 p.m. on August 8, 22 and 29.

For more information contact Katrina Boverman at Katrinaboverman@yahoo.com or 301-641-1035.

Attendees have reported a quieting of their bodies, minds and spirits, a deepening of inner stillness and a better ability to reconnect with themselves. Common experiences outside of the classes have been for attendees to have greater ease falling asleep and more patience during challenging times. These classes offer an opportunity to slow down, become quiet, go within and experience a bit more peace.

New Board Officers, Members Installed in St. Hugh’s Sodality



PHOTO BY CINDY PERRY

Sodality officers, left to right: Father Walter Tappe, moderator; Betty Triplett, prefect; Rita Radich, vice prefect; Anu Simon, new member; Suzanne Lomax, recording secretary; Monica Huber, corresponding secretary; Candace Culhane, treasurer.

Peace Campers Run and Play, Learn Some New Tools for Life

by Amy Hansen

Peace is a skill that can be learned. This is one of the take-home messages from the Little Friends Peace Camp, held at Greenbelt Community Church, United Church of Christ during the week of July 18. Camp counselors worked with 27 students, ages 5 to 14, from Greenbelt and Lanham. Each day of camp starts with an opening gathering, where campers learn a new code word such as share, care, peace or cooperate. Then the groups, separated by ages, move through art projects, musical explorations, yoga and cooperative games.

The activities offer concrete examples of the somewhat generic code words. For example, the word peace comes with an activity called the peace post office where campers make personal notes which they put into each other’s mailbox. “We model how to affirm someone,” said MJ Park, who runs the camps with her husband, Jerry Park.

The Parks have run the camps for 43 years, though not always in Maryland. “Little Friends For Peace was started in Minnesota,” MJ said. “[It was] ... an outgrowth of my background as a

teacher and Jerry being a community organizer and also working in the field of education empowering youth.”

MJ said that while at an anti-violence rally, she and her husband suddenly understood. “We had a kind of epiphany that if we want peace, we need to intentionally teach peace.” They set about to create a curriculum that would provide a set of tools for everyday life. They’ve worked in Maryland for 30 years, and now live in Accokeek. The camps are located throughout Maryland.

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At a special Mass held on Tuesday, July 12, St. Hugh Sodality of Our Lady of the Annunciation inducted a new executive board composed of five officers for the 2022-24 term. Betty Triplett now serves as prefect; Rita Radich, vice prefect; Candace Culhane, treasurer; Suzanne Lomax, recording secretary; and Monica Huber, corresponding secretary. All of the officers have served in various positions on previous executive boards. The Sodality also inducted its newest

member, Anu Simon.

The Sodality is a Catholic organization that fosters spiritual and apostolic growth in its members. They strive to live their lives in imitation of Mary, the mother of Jesus. Their motto is “To Jesus Through Mary.” Spiritual events they sponsor include the parish’s annual day of reflection and a Rosary half-marathon in October. Their apostolic works provide support for Catholic education and they host an annual tea each May.

“The language of kindness is the lodestone of hearts and the food of the soul.”
— ‘Abdu’l-Bahá



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MEETINGS FOR AUGUST 1-5

Monday, August 1 at 7:30 pm, **WORK SESSION – VERDE AT GREENBELT STATION/GREENBELT STATION COMMUNITY**

Tuesday, August 2 at 7 pm, **ARTS ADVISORY BOARD**, *On the Agenda: Review Past Meeting Minutes, Old Business: Work on “Report for Recommended Tree Species Appropriate to Plant Near Streets,” New Business, Adjourn.*

Wednesday, August 3 at 7:30 pm, **WORK SESSION - GHI (STAKEHOLDER)**

Thursday, August 4 at 7:30 pm, **FOUR CITIES MEETING (BERWYN HEIGHTS)**

In advance, the hearing impaired is advised to use MD RELAY at 711 to submit your questions/comments or contact the City Clerk at (301) 474-8000 or email banderson@greenbeltnmd.gov. This schedule is subject to change. For confirmation that a meeting is being held call (301) 474-8000. For information on public participation for the meetings above, visit the meetings calendar at greenbeltnmd.gov

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- Advisory Committee on Education
- Arts Advisory Board
- Board of Elections
- Community Relations Advisory Board
- Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability
- Park and Recreation Advisory Board
- Reparations Commission
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- Youth Advisory Committee

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Greenbelt ARPA Funds Assistance Programs Update (as of 7/18/22)

Rent and Utility Assistance

- 297 Greenbelt Households were granted assistance totaling \$1,298,775.51

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A Review

Magical Tempest Explores Injustice with Teen Actors

by Melissa Sites

Strong acting, spritely and graceful dancing, beautiful costumes, a soundtrack of original orchestral music and deep explorations of Shakespeare’s many complex themes resulted in a terrific production of *The Tempest* directed by Kate Magill Robinson at Greenbelt Arts Center, the culmination of four weeks of the Teen Shakespeare Summer Intensive program.

Magill Robinson’s production allows teens with a limited amount of time to take on classic Shakespeare roles, dealing with complex themes of social hierarchy and injustice. By expertly cutting the run time to just over one hour, splitting some roles and pre-recording some parts, the amount of lines per actor becomes more manageable.

Elegant ballet choreography by Elizabeth Gardner was fittingly sweet and magical, including the masque with Juno (Ani Arzoumanian), who also brought live flute music to the show. Original music was composed and performed by Zachary Cheng, a former Camp Encore participant currently studying at Oberlin.

Shakespeare’s play is about a sorcerer, Prospero (Zann Krage), who was formerly Duke of Milan. Betrayed by his brother Antonio (Jules Delehant), he is stranded on an island with his young daughter Miranda (Isabelle Murray). Prospero seizes the opportunity to escape the island and arrange a marriage for his daughter to Ferdinand (Xina Costen), heir to the kingdom of Naples. Prospero has enslaved several beings on the island – an island native called Caliban (Hannah Alisse Collins) and spirits Ariel (Mila Shapiro) and Leira (Julia May).

Prospero uses sorcery to manipulate events and control other characters. Krage is adept at portraying Prospero’s threatening character traits. As a father, Prospero has no qualms about enchanting Miranda to sleep when he doesn’t want his daughter to see what’s going on. As an enslaver, Prospero punishes Caliban with mental and physical anguish, and doesn’t hesitate to remind Ariel and Leira of their former imprisonment, even while spurring them to obedience with promises of freedom, despite the formidable power the spirits possess in their own right. Caliban openly resents Prospero and tries to escape enslavement by forming alliances with the shipwrecked crew.

One of the highlights of this production is the appearance of Sycorax, Caliban’s mother, portrayed by assistant choreographer Mecca Lartigue. As a dancer,

Sycorax doesn’t speak, but in her beautiful dancing she does not conform to Prospero’s disparaging descriptions of her. When Caliban and Sycorax dance together, Caliban remembers being free. To a modern viewer, the original inhabitants of the island, seen as “other” or “less than” and ordered about by Prospero, represent indigenous people colonized by European agents of empire. Perhaps initially written as a monster, villain or fool, Caliban survives enslavement and remains on the island with knowledge of his original heritage and religion intact.

The ending of this story is

full of unusual openness. Once Miranda is engaged to Ferdinand, and their release from the island is secure, Prospero discards his sorcerous tools of book and staff, dismantling his unfair advantages over the other characters. Ariel and Leira fly free to fates unknown. Caliban is left behind to recover unaided from a decade spent in slavery. Prospero’s acts of sorcery, including the supposed storm and shipwreck, melt away as events draw to a close – but the play instills a lingering dissatisfaction with the world of hierarchical systems and unjust power differentials.



In the teen performance of *The Tempest*, Alexina Costen plays Ferdinand, Zann Krage plays Prospero and Isabelle Murray is Miranda.



From left, Mecca Lartigue and Hannah Alisse Collins perform as dancing island spirits in *The Tempest*.

- Photos by Kate Magill Robinson





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Sunday, September 4 - Noon to 9 p.m.

Monday, September 5 - Noon to 6 p.m.

Proceeds from the bingo support the St. Hugh Church Food Pantry.
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city is seeking county assistance through additional chippers and grappler trucks to aid in debris pickup. Recreation Director Greg Varda said that Springhill Lake Recreation Center (SLRC) and its clubhouse were used to assist and temporarily house any displaced residents, of which there were three.

ARPA Allocations

Interim City Manager Timothy George advised council that the sooner ARPA funds are encumbered for any infrastructure projects the better, as there is a general shortage of equipment and contractors. He warned that if the city waits too long, it may miss the deadline of the end of 2024 and lose its ability to access the funds.

Staff recommended \$350,000 for premium pay for essential workers in the form of a stipend or bonus for all those on the front line, either directly or indirectly, during the two years of Covid. \$2,080 a year was suggested as a baseline amount, which could be doubled for two years or halved for six months. This was a high priority for council, with Councilmember Judith Davis characterizing their work as “superhuman.”

Employee-based workforce development was another key item, with a possible \$150,000 suggested. This would not be income-based and would encompass any extra training programs for city employees.

Grants and development programs to support Greenbelt businesses and nonprofits was put at \$1.5M. These would only be for small, local businesses, not chains.

Food assistance at \$250,000 was proposed for Meals-on-Wheels and city food pantries, as food insecurity has been a major issue during the pandemic.

Mental health services were much discussed as there has been a large increase in the need for such services during the stress-

ful pandemic period. CARES and the Greenbelt Assistance in Living (GAIL) program are both on the front line in these efforts, with many on a waiting list for services, and would be thankful for any additional influx of funding for staff or programs. Council proposed \$1.5M to CARES to aid in this effort.

CARES has been administering the rental and utility assistance program, for which another \$1.5M of ARPA funds is likely. A proposal of \$350,000 for temporary case managers who have been handling applications was suggested. City Treasurer Bertha Gaymon said that a single case manager costs the city \$81,000 in salary and benefits.

A feasibility/assessment study of the Armory for \$120,000 was suggested to ascertain any repair needs and how it could be used, whether for office space or possibly a new firehouse. Any decision will need to wait until the city gains ownership.

Code Enforcement is requesting \$15,000 to improve their technology for better service and virtual record keeping. They have resumed their 20 percent yearly rate for rental inspections.

The \$250,000 proposed to replace the county’s INET fiber connection, which services the city’s buildings, was deemed necessary.

Other Ideas

Jordan suggested a micro-grant program for anyone seeking to do a community-minded project. Davis added an emphasis on artists, whose livelihoods have suffered during Covid. Jordan also introduced the idea of partial assistance in down payments for new resident homeowners, acknowledging the need to establish an income/home price threshold. George advised research into this to determine any financial objections from mortgage companies.

Council felt that addressing stormwater management issues could alone encompass the en-

tirety of ARPA funds. Davis suggested a preliminary study to begin with, yet Shafer cautioned this could be prohibitively costly. Councilmember Rodney Roberts instead advised addressing the current problems.

Staff set \$40,000 for a new Master Plan for Buddy Attick Park. The last one was conducted in 1992.

GAIL has been referring seniors to the county for requests to aid them in retrofitting their homes for safety, allowing them to remain in the city. Some funds could be allocated for this purpose.

An amount of \$185,000 was acceptable as a proposed cost for the city’s IT Department for improving its protection from cyberthreats.

The \$3M suggested for an addition to the Springhill Lake Recreation Center was deemed a good start, but not sufficient to complete the job. George felt that \$100,000 would be a likely cost for a plan. The issue of available recreation amenities in Greenbelt West continues to be a pressing issue.

Councilmember Colin Byrd suggested a stipend for those seeking any form of higher education. Council rounded out the idea by making it broad, including not only college instruction but vocational training.

Davis put forth the idea of childcare vouchers, with a possible amount of \$400,000, as many struggle to both return to work and properly care for their children.

At the meeting’s close, \$8.41M had been tallied so far of the total \$22.88M. Jordan proposed eventually setting aside \$8-10M for city infrastructure, with the remaining \$12-14M for resident needs.

Labor Day Festival

Outstanding Citizen 2022
Deadline Fast Approaching

by Daniel Hamlin

With heroic effort, the Greenbelt News Review has published every week for nearly 85 years, storms and power outages notwithstanding, with no end in sight. However, there is an end in sight for the chance to submit nominations for the Greenbelt Outstanding Citizen Award for 2022. Monday, August 1, is the deadline.

The Outstanding Citizen Award recognizes living Greenbelters who have made significant volunteer contributions to the community. Previous outstanding citizens have been honored for specific projects, long-term service to a particular organization within the city or a broad array of volunteer activities in Greenbelt. Look around at your neighbors, your friends and your community members. Who do you know who is volunteering or has volunteered significantly in the past for the enhancement of Greenbelt and the lives of its residents? Now is your chance to honor them and recognize their work by nominating them for Greenbelt’s Outstanding Citizen 2022.

Often previous winners have been nominated for several years before they’re chosen, so if your

candidate has been nominated before but not yet won, don’t despair, send in a nomination letter this year, too. As the Earth continues to spin through space so does the Outstanding Citizen Committee continue to review your nominations.

The winner will be announced at the Friday, September 2, Labor Day Festival opening ceremonies and the selected citizen will be the Grand Marshal of the Labor Day Parade on Monday, September 5. To nominate your chosen candidate, provide a brief statement outlining the organizations or activities in which the person has been or is involved, including the length of service, particular accomplishments, personal qualities and the impact the candidate has had on improving life in Greenbelt. Include your name, signature, address and phone number on all submitted nomination forms. Completed nomination forms must be received no later than Monday, August 1. All forms may be mailed or hand-delivered to Committee Chair, Robert Zugby, 94 Ridge Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770 or emailed to OutstandingCitizenGB@gmail.com.



PHOTO BY CLYDE OWAN

Greenbelt-based alumni of Oberlin College organized a meet-up in Roosevelt Center for D.C.-area alums, including at least a dozen who’d never been to Greenbelt before, and knew nothing about it. Imagine their surprise as they toured the Old Greenbelt Theatre and the Community Center and heard about Greenbelt history. Combined with dinner, beverages and music of the legendary Nighthawks band at the New Deal Café, little Old Greenbelt made for a fun and easy way to host a meet-up for people from outside Greenbelt. The visitors found it surprisingly easy to get here – and park.

2022 Greenbelt Outstanding Citizen
Nomination Form

Submit this form (or something equivalent) by **August 1** to
Bob Zugby
Outstanding Citizen Committee
94 Ridge Road, Greenbelt MD 20770
or OutstandingCitizenGB@gmail.com

Name of Nominee: _____

Address: _____

Attach a statement (preferably printed or typed) explaining why this nominee deserves recognition as Greenbelt’s Outstanding Citizen.
Possible subjects include a list of organizations or activities in which the nominee has participated, including length of time, specific accomplishments during their period of service, their impact upon Greenbelt or people within the City, and personal qualities making the nominee special. The award is for *unpaid* volunteer work only.
Any supporting printed material is useful, but not required.
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Robbery
On July 20 at 5:38 p.m. near 6000 Greenbelt Road, a victim was approached by a Black man (approximately 6'1-6'2, 30-35 years old, with short black hair, a mustache and chinstrap, wearing a plain white T-shirt and black sweat pants) who asked if the victim had any spare change. The victim told him no and the suspect pulled out a knife and slashed the victim, resulting in minor injuries. The suspect ran off and the victim drove to the hospital for treatment.
On July 23 at 2:40 a.m. near 7900 Good Luck Road, two suspects entered a store, displayed a firearm and demanded money. A fight occurred between the employees and suspects. Shots were fired; no one was hit by a bullet, but the employees received minor injuries in the fight. The suspects fled the scene in a vehicle, leading to an allied agency pursuit into D.C. where the suspects crashed. Both suspects were arrested and a handgun was located.

Carjacking
On July 23 at 7:08 p.m. near 6000 Greenbelt Road, armed with two handguns, a Black man in an orange shirt carjacked a vehicle, which was tracked and recovered unoccupied.

Possession Arrest
On July 21 at 5:39 p.m. near Greenbelt Road and Cherrywood Lane, a man was arrested during a traffic stop for possession with intent to distribute marijuana after officers searched the vehicle and seized a large quantity of marijuana and paraphernalia. He was charged and released to Upper Marlboro Department of Corrections.

DUI Arrests
DUI arrests were made July 22 at 7:43 p.m. near Kenilworth Avenue and Crescent Road, and July 18 at 2:58 a.m. near 7700 Greenbelt Road.

Firearms-related Arrests
Greenbelt patrol officers have made three firearms-related ar-

rests in the last two months. On July 13, Julio Cesar Gomez, 21, of Greenbelt was arrested on multiple firearm and drug charges. The other two persons were not from Greenbelt.

Break-in
On July 18 at 9:15 a.m. near 7500 Greenway Center Drive, a front door was damaged and personal property taken.

Welfare Check
On July 23 at 3:57 p.m. near 6100 Springhill Terrace, an injured man was found who did not know how he was injured.

Armed Person
On July 24 at 10:10 p.m. near 6100 Springhill Terrace, a known individual pointed a firearm in the air and called the victim's name before leaving the scene.

Fight
On July 20 at 10:20 a.m. near 7900 Good Luck Road, a disagreement over payment between an employee and a customer turned physical.

Fraud
Several types of fraud occurred in the past week: July 18 near 6900 Hanover Parkway, identity theft; July 19 near 7400 Greenway Center Drive, rental property deposit scam; July 20 near 7400 Frankfort Place, unauthorized purchases made on a victim's EBT stamp card; July 22 near 7700 Hanover Parkway, wire fraud; and July 23 near 9000 Breezewood Terrace, CashApp fraud.

Missing Persons
Adult males (with no further description at this time) were reported missing on July 19 near 5900 Cherrywood Terrace; July 20 near 9300 Edmonston Road; July 22 near 9100 Springhill Lane; and July 22 near 9100 Edmonston Court.

Theft from Auto
License plates were stolen from vehicles on July 20 near 7400 Greenway Center Drive; July 21 near 5300 Stream Bank; July 23 near 9100 Edmonston Road; and July 24 near 5800 Cherrywood Terrace.

On July 18 near 9000 Breezewood Terrace, a handicap placard was stolen.

Car windows were broken and personal property taken on July 20 near 6900 Hanover Parkway; July 24 near 7800 Mandan Road and near 7200 Hanover Drive.

On July 20 near 7800 Mandan Road, an unlocked vehicle was rummaged through and the panel under the steering column was damaged. On July 20 near 9100 Edmonston Court, in a vehicle that was possibly left unlocked overnight, the steering wheel compartment was damaged, and personal property taken. Property was taken from an unlocked vehicle on July 22 near 7400 Greenbelt Road. On July 24 at 4:57 a.m. near 7800 Walker Drive, a man was reported tampering with vehicles in the parking lot.

Theft
On July 18 at 10:49 a.m. near 9100 Springhill Court, a man jumped out of a cab without paying.

Package thefts occurred on July 18 near 6400 Cherrywood Lane and near 6100 Breezewood Drive. On July 19 at 7:20 p.m. near 7400 Greenbelt Road, personal property was taken from a place of business. On July 19 at 10:20 p.m. near 7600 Greenbelt Road, commercial theft. On July 19 at 11:51 p.m. near 6300 Golden Triangle Drive, personal property was left behind and not there when the owner returned.

Vandalism
On July 23 at 8:35 a.m. near 7500 Greenway Center Drive, a police officer observed a United States Postal Service mailbox left open. Investigation revealed it had been pried open. The mailbox was photographed and the postal inspector was notified. USPS mailboxes in the area were checked and no additional vandalism was found.

On July 22 at 11:32 p.m. near 6600 Lake Park Drive, a rear tire was slashed.

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complete, which requires patience and dedication.
Phoebe McFarb, GATe executive director, runs the program and teaches filmmaking and editing for two of the four summer sessions. The other two sessions are led by GATe's long-serving animation instructor, George Kochell, and new animation instructor Everitt.
McFarb, Kochell and Everitt all teach classes year-round at GATe. They are assisted by two paid high school summer interns, Mason Vosmek and Kalen Wright. Both interns are currently students at Northwestern High School, where they are in the filmmaking program.




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Faith Organizations Help Address City’s Many Needs

by Matthew Arbach

The city’s faith-based organizations have held the front line in providing not only spiritual sustenance but also material resources to those in need, including financial assistance, and food and home items. Covid has put these needs into sharp relief, as many residents have turned to their spiritual communities for hope, fellowship and a path forward. Five faith groups met with the Greenbelt City Council for the first time in three years on June 29 to share the concerns of their members and the many projects aimed at sustaining and enhancing not only their membership, but the entire city. As Mayor Emmett Jordan said, they are “the heart and soul of Greenbelt” and “we are all in this together.”

Greenbelt Baptist

Steve Unthank, pastor of Greenbelt Baptist Church, in existence since the late 1950s, remarked on the diverse makeup in both age and ethnicity of his congregation. He spoke on the “sense of divisiveness” and “ideological butting of heads” so apparent in today’s culture, which “the best minds in America don’t know how to fix.” For him, the “answer revolves around the Gospel.” In addition to youth projects, like the Young Narnians, which seeks to engage young people with the enriching experience of fantasy literature, the church will be hosting the first-ever Prince George’s Conference on Reform Theology, which explores how the Apostles’ and Nicene Creeds still matter today.

Catholic Community

Trudy Conrad spoke for the Catholic Community of Greenbelt, which meets at the Municipal Building and has been around for about 40 years. This group is very active with Greenbelt CARES and the Community Ministry of Prince George’s County, as well as providing financial support to the food bank at St. Hugh Catholic Church. Conrad shared that many of their seniors would welcome a return of the Food and Friendship program which was held at the Community Center before the pandemic.

St. Hugh of Grenoble

St. Hugh of Grenoble Catholic Church, represented by Mary Ann Tretler and Susan Walker, is dedicated to service through Greenbelt CARES, rental assistance and their food pantry. All their faith services are streamed online. Recently, the church welcomed the deaf congregation from Landover Hills to use St. Hugh’s school building due to a fire at their home church, an arrangement that will likely continue into the fall.

Greenbelt Bahá’í

Jim Fischer and Rose Marghi spoke on behalf of the Bahá’í community. Though only around a dozen members, the community has endured for about 40 years, and is embracing of all of the world’s major faiths as part a unified spiritual teaching. Interracial harmony and understanding are a key focus. Racism presents the nation’s greatest challenge, and is “retarding our spiritual growth,” said Marghi. For the last two years, the Bahá’í community has sponsored Race Amity Day. Marghi shared an open invitation to all residents, regardless of belief, to take part in the Ruhi course program, which teaches how best to comprehend sacred writings and develop spiritual skills to achieve the duty to serve mankind.

Restoration Center

The Restoration Center, founded on June 10, 2010, is a powerhouse of Christian worship and community service, in keeping with their goal to be “a church without walls” and in “restoring lives.” Situated at Roosevelt Center, service is a primary objective, whether it be in the distribution of food (available Mondays and Wednesdays), furniture and home items, or in their efforts to assist immigrants learn English, advance their careers or find homes. Pastor Abby Daramola shared a common issue where skilled, educated immigrant professionals face hurdles in practicing their skills in the U.S., as they lack the proper licensing, something in which the center is active in assisting. Education and the development of all youth, including the children of immigrants, is a priority, as well as supporting local schools.

Common Concerns

All the groups confirmed a strong spiritual strength in their membership, with Covid acting as a galvanizing agent to step up their efforts. All acknowledged the many strains on the spirit during these current challenging and divisive times. Pastor Tayo Fagbenro of the Restoration Center spoke about the confusion and discouragement many, especially young people, feel these days, and his team’s striving to help them make sense of the “positive and negative” currents that occur alongside each other.

Greenbelt Baptist Church, St. Hugh Catholic Church and Restoration Center all reported concerns with security and are accepting the offer from the Greenbelt Police Department to make their sites safer. Vigilance during services is key as well. Restoration Center stated that they must pay extra to

the police for a presence at their meetings and distributions, which has become expensive. Council requested the city manager’s office to reach out to the department and provide a report to council on the reasons and a possible solution. The Bahá’í community (who meet in homes) and Catholic Community both expressed no current issues with security.

GILA

The Greenbelt Interfaith Leadership Association (GILA) has existed since the mid-1970s, and was represented at the meeting by Fischer and Walker. GILA was established under the precept of honoring all belief systems and has a rather loose structure. Fischer said that addressing social problems is a primary drive for its members. Post-Covid attendance has doubled, with Fischer crediting the varied choice of topics at each meeting. GILA is very active in the city on a range of issues – homelessness being a big one during the pandemic – and is always looking to expand its membership.

Walker thanked council for their \$50,000 donation to the city’s Rental Assistance Fund, which was proposed and is partially funded by GILA. According to Walker, in a separate interview, the fund “helps people who do not qualify for ARPA funds.” Jordan responded that the council is likely to infuse another \$1 million into rental assistance using ARPA funds.

Nineteen faith groups were invited to the meeting. While Jordan characterized it as a “moving” worksession, council was concerned and a little mystified over the low turnout, but praised the constructive and comprehensive discussion that followed. Councilmember Judith Davis suggested that greater publicity be shared through the internet and Greenbelt News Review highlighting the valuable work being done by all. Councilmember Colin Byrd said that while much can be done through policy and legislation, “good laws can’t heal broken hearts and broken spirits.”

City Notes

Summer Camp Session 2 culminated with Creative Kids Campers performing at Roosevelt Center. The Museum’s July lecture attracted 34 Zoom participants; the lecturer conducted research in the Museum archives.

Street Maintenance/Special Details supported CARES’s monthly produce distribution. Refuse/Recycling collected 31.74 tons of refuse and 11.69 tons of recyclables and cleaned the recycling center. Sustainability/Environmental hosted an electronics recycling event. Building Maintenance tested sprinkler systems in all city buildings and refinished classroom desks at the Youth Center.

Golden Age Club, Community Development, Volksmarchers, Friends of the Greenbelt Museum, Peace & Justice Coalition and Greenbelt Unplugged met at the Community Center, which also welcomed over 1,000 voters on Primary Election Day. Therapeutic Recreation delivered meals to 27 seniors.

Aquatic & Fitness Center staff donated towels to the county animal shelter and hosted swift-water training and a NOAA scuba dive safety check.

During excessive heat, the Community Center offered a cooling center and park rangers monitored park visitors to prevent heat-related health issues.

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BSA Venturing Crew 746 includes an anchor to civilization in their supplies – the Greenbelt News Review.

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Assistant leader Jonathan Murray demonstrates one-person portaging technique.

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Greenbelt Scout Crew Canoes Adirondacks Lakes, Streams

by Liz Murray

Two weeks ago, while much of Greenbelt was involuntarily without power, Venturing Crew 746 chose to go off the grid for a seven-day canoe trek in the Adirondack Mountains of New York. Seven scouts and four adult leaders took off on July 9 for a week of exploring the rivers and lakes in the Adirondack region for what would be an unforgettable experience of physical endurance, solitude and friendship. Venturing Crew is a co-ed Boy Scouts of America program for youth aged 14 to 21.

“This was an exceptional trip, with crystal clear water, cool nights, clear skies, fantastic views and scenery, and magical loon calls to lull you to sleep. A must-do trip for any adventurer,” said Jonathan Murray, an assistant leader and parent.

The canoe trek route was planned by the crew members with guidance from the adult leaders and consisted of over 50 miles of paddling and portaging – carrying the boats, food and gear overland from one navigable water source to another. There were four portages in all, the longest of which was 1.25 miles. A few of the scouts and one leader were able to make the portages in one pass, meaning they were able to carry their fully loaded backpacks and canoes over rough terrain in one hike. Other members of the group would need to return for a second pass, making their actual portage 3.75 miles in length. The portages were a true test of teamwork, as every crew member assisted with canoe and gear carries. By the last portage, with teamwork, the crew was able to reduce the portage time taken by half.

Karl Hille, parent and assistant leader, says of the trip: “We watched a group of scouts with different abilities and levels of experience grow to work together as a team. I think they all grew an inch or so that week, some maybe more.”

One important challenge the crew had to contend with was bears, as the Adirondacks have

approximately 3,000 to 4,000 black bears – over 50 percent of the black bear population in New York State. It was necessary for the crew to carry and store their food in bear canisters. The canisters are designed to be strong enough to keep black bears from biting through the hard plastic shell, and have specially engineered lids that screw on, with gravity locks that make it impossible to open the canister without specific movements by the opener. Each crew member carried their own canister, with seven days’ worth of food for one person along with any eating utensils and dishes, toiletries such as toothpaste and toothbrush, and trash – essentially anything with an odor that would attract bears. These bear canisters were then stored outside of camp, on the ground, helping to make sure bears don’t associate food with people.

The crew experienced excellent weather, with only one morning where they were delayed by a few hours as a thunderstorm rolled through, and one day of high winds creating white caps on a lake. Although there were significant waves and wind, with some doubling back due to crew members’ misreading the geography of the land, no one capsized and the crew was able to safely make it to the next campsite – without dying – as the amped-up scouts exaggerated.

One of the surprising benefits of the trip’s location was no cell service, requiring scouts to entertain themselves without social media, texting or game

apps. Instead, they fished, swam, hiked and chatted their boredom away. It was a refreshing respite from the frenzied screen time at home, and although some scouts would say their favorite part of the trip was skirting civilization at the general store along one of the last lakes, the freedom from devices and noise proved to be a welcome change of pace for everyone.

Oscar Gibson, a crew member, remarked that “it was a fun trip, and the water was so much clearer than” he is used to seeing. Isabelle Murray, another crew member, said, “It’s an amazing feeling to look down into the water and see waves of green grasses flowing beneath your boat, or dozens of white lilies all in full bloom. It gives me hope for the future of wild places.”

Venturing Crew 746 has plans in the works for more trips this fall, including outdoor rock climbing at Carderock and the Via Ferrata in West Virginia, bike camping along the C&O Canal, high-ropes challenges at Sandy Spring Adventure Park and celebrating the one-year anniversary of the crew’s founding. In its first year, the crew has been camping, rock climbing and backpacking several times, ski/snowboarding, and even started a new Greenbelt tradition, The Winter Wonderland, which they will repeat again this year.

Venturing Crew 746 meets every other Thursday at Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church. For more information, email Liz Murray, crew advisor, at venturecrew746@gmail.com.

Volunteers Pack Emergency Food Bags for Local Seniors

by Karen Yoho



A volunteer at College Park Meals on Wheels attaches labels to the bags of food for distribution.

PHOTO BY KAREN YOH0

Volunteers from Meals on Wheels of College Park recently prepared emergency food bags for Greenbelt residents who are currently served by Meals on Wheels of College Park. The City of Greenbelt funded the contents of the bags which contain shelf-stable foods for times when Meals on Wheels is unable to make deliveries, such as during winter storms or other weather-related emergencies that may prevent drivers from reaching clients’ homes.

The bags contain a variety of foods that do not necessarily require heating or even a can opener. As with all food provided by Meals on Wheels of College Park, attention was paid to the

clients’ food preferences and dietary restrictions.

“It’s really important to ensure that those experiencing food insecurity have a supply of food available for times when regular deliveries cannot reach them,” said Lisa Ealley, president of Meals on Wheels of College Park. “We appreciate the support of the City of Greenbelt to ensure the safety of those in need.”

Meals on Wheels of College Park delivers nutritional meals Mondays through Fridays in College Park, Greenbelt, parts of Beltsville, Riverdale and Hyattsville. Anyone who would like to volunteer for the program, or wants more information, may visit mealsonwheelsofcollegepark.org.

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The code word cooperate takes on a whole new level of meaning for the games run by Jerry. “In cooperative games we take competitive games that kids are very familiar with, like musical chairs or dodgeball, and we change the rules so that it’s not a win-lose game. It’s a win-win,” he said. “With cooperative musical chairs, when the music stops and you don’t have a chair, you’re not out. You’re in somebody else’s lap... sharing the chair and the chairs become a lifeboat or the whole team saves the whole team.”

The kids run around, have fun and learn about promoting everyone winning. But there are inevitable conflicts. In fact, conflicts are part of the curriculum, and are part of the day of cooperation.

“The third day is cooperation, where we learn that in order to solve a conflict, we need to work together and that conflicts aren’t bad. They’re an opportunity for a relationship,” MJ said.

The camp has a peace table where children learn to talk with each other. “I had three kids to a peace table today,” she said. “They start inviting their friends to sit down with a peace pole in the middle and talk it out.”

The week of Greenbelt day-camp ended with a presentation

for parents and friends. The campers sang songs and presented two short skits they had written. One of the skits, called Gerald’s Redemption, featured Gerald the dragon, who lured campers into his crumbling castle. When the campers get stuck, Gerald has a change of heart and goes to find the knights – his mortal enemies – to help rescue his victims and make amends. The writers of the script understood the lessons about resolving conflict, cooperation and the importance of building peace.

To read more about Little Friends For Peace, visit lffp.org.

Joe Robbins contributed to this article.



Campers practice cooperation by working together.

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